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FLF Expands Online System for Workshops

The Family Law Facilitator's Office (FLF), which helps unrepresented parents prepare court forms and provides general legal information at no cost, has expanded its online appointment system. You can now make a reservation to attend workshops on a variety of legal topics such as Child Support, Child Custody/Visitation, Divorce, and on finishing cases relating to Default Judgments, Settlement Agreements, and Service of Process. **Click here to register** for these workshops. The FLF website also includes the ability to download forms and print a checklist in order to be prepared for scheduled appointments. The FLF continues to be an option for parents wishing to file their own motions with the court.

EDD Provides Employment Assistance Online

There is good news about the improving economy in San Diego and the nation. While that has meant new jobs for many people, others are still searching for ways to put their skills to work! A great resource for job search and information is the **California Employment Development Department website**. The Online Job Center link includes information on labor market trends for the area, occupation profiles, even a self-assessment to learn about different career paths based on your specific skills. There are also resume templates and other tools to help identify your potential. If you already have a great resume, the Job Central link can show you who is recruiting/hiring in your local area. If you are looking for work or just want to improve your skills, this site is packed with information and may have something for everyone.

DCSS Helps Veterans at Stand Down

On July 12, the DCSS participated once again in the annual San Diego Veterans Stand Down event designed to help homeless veterans get back on their feet. The DCSS believes it is important to help these veterans address their child support cases as part of their effort to becoming thriving members of the community. The department's legal staff worked with 44 veterans, appeared at 28 court hearings to address modification of orders, and reviewed default orders and driver's license suspensions. Before the event, the DCSS reviewed over 1000 Stand Down applications and completed case reviews of 188 veterans with child support cases. **Click here for a video** at the event and **click here for a story** on how the County helps homeless veterans find resolutions.

CREDIT REPORT Improving Your Credit Score



Credit reporting happens on a monthly basis until a child support case is closed. This is why it is very important to pay your monthly child support obligations on time. No payments, late payments, and even partial payments will negatively affect credit report scores, similar to a credit card. If there is a change to the monthly child support obligation, those changes are updated with the credit reporting agencies.

Did you know you can get a free annual credit report? **Click here to request a copy from www.annualcreditreport.com.**



2-1-1 San Diego

Do you find yourself needing information quickly on community resources but don't know whom to turn to or what appropriate agency you should call? Just dial 211 from your landline or mobile phone for help. 2-1-1 San Diego is an information hub that connects people with more than 6,000 community, health, and disaster services through a free confidential phone service and online database available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It can help people searching for a wide array of services such as food assistance, housing information, childcare, and much more. **Click here** to visit the website.

\$25 Annual Service Fee

October is the month in which the DCSS assesses a \$25 annual service fee imposed by the federal government to all custodial parents who: a) received \$500 or more in child support payments during the federal fiscal year from October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013; b) have not paid a child support fee in another state; and c) have never received cash assistance benefits. This fee will be withheld from your next child support payment until the \$25 is fully recovered.

For answers to frequently asked questions regarding this annual service fee, **click here**.

Upcoming Office Closures: September 2, Labor Day; October 14, Court holiday; November 11, Veterans Day; November 28 & 29, Thanksgiving Day.

Our Mission: To enhance the lives and well-being of children and promote family self-sufficiency by establishing and enforcing support orders.

Office Locations:

Downtown Courthouse

220 West Broadway, San Diego, CA 92101
Open 7:30 AM – 4:00 PM, Monday - Friday
www.sandiegochildsupport.org

North Central Family Resource Center

5055 Ruffin Road, San Diego, CA 92123
Open 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday - Friday
(Accepts credit card payments only)

Vista Courthouse Complex

325 South Melrose Dr., Vista, CA 92081
Open 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday - Friday
(Enter through Traffic Court Annex by 3:30 PM)